

Region 3 GPRA Baseline RCRA Corrective Action Facility

Action Manufacturing

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Atglen, PA 19310
Congressional District 16
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Current Progress at the Site

The following Corrective Action work has been completed at the facility:

- RCRA Facility Investigation, Phases I and II, provided information on the nature and extent of environmental contamination at the site;
- Interim Measures (short-term actions) were completed, including the following:
 - 1 - Contaminated surface soil was removed from four (4) waste management areas. Post-excavation sampling confirmed that these areas were cleaned-up to safe residential exposure levels.
 - 2 - A well at a nearby residential property was treated to remove organic contaminants until long-term monitoring documented that the well water was not contaminated by releases from the facility.
- Supplemental Phase II RCRA Facility Investigation was conducted to complete the soil and groundwater investigation.
- Action conducted additional groundwater and soil investigations to provide information needed to select the final remedy. A final decision on groundwater contamination and other areas of soil contamination will be made after the investigation report is submitted and evaluated by EPA.

Site Description

This facility has operated as an explosive assembly facility since 1965. The property consists of approximately 217 acres. It generates hazardous waste during the assembly of detonators, leads, ignition elements and fuzes. Past practices included the land disposal of waste material. Soil and groundwater at the site are contaminated with explosive compounds, organic compounds and/or metals at levels above EPA's Risk Based Concentrations for human exposure.

Site Responsibility

RCRA Corrective Action activities at the Facility are being conducted under the direction of EPA Region 3.

Contaminants

The main contaminants of concern at the facility are RDX, an explosive compound, and a few organic compounds. Off-site properties are not impacted by the facility contamination. Well water contamination, primarily nitrate/nitrite, at an adjacent residential property appears to be associated with surrounding agricultural practices.

Community Interaction

The Action Manufacturing facility is located in an agricultural area with some residential properties. The facility issues bi-monthly progress reports to surrounding residents. The RCRA project manager has worked closely with the nearest residents to evaluate possible contamination at their property.

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